to the Potomae River by the Potomae River Fisheries Commission and are effective therein.

SEC. 3 2. And be it further enacted, That, subject to the provisions of Section 2 above, this Act shall take effect June 1, 1966.

Approved April 29, 1966.

## CHAPTER 367

## (House Bill 19)

AN ACT to add new Section 263(g) to Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1965 Supplement), title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Fish and Fisheries," subheading "Part 2. Tidal Waters—In General," to follow immediately after Section 263(f) thereof, to authorize the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs by regulation to restrict or prohibit the taking of rock fish (striped bass) in spawning areas during the spawning season and to provide penalties for violations.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That new Section 263(g) be and it is hereby added to Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1965 Supplement), title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Fish and Fisheries," subheading "Part 2. Tidal Waters—In General," to follow immediately after Section 263(f) thereof, and to read as follows:

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- (g) (1) The Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs is authorized to restrict or prohibit by regulation the taking or catching of striped bass FISH in those areas where striped bass spawn during the spawning season of the species.
- (2) Any person or persons found guilty of fishing or taking fish as prohibited under this subsection is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00); plus five dollars (\$5.00) for each fish found in his or their possession and shall stand committed in the Baltimore City jail or to the County jail until such fines and costs are paid.
- (3) All such fish found in his or their possession shall be confiscated and shall be disposed of as provided under the other provisions of this article.
- SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1966.

Approved April 29, 1966.

## CHAPTER 368

(House Bill 24)

AN ACT to add new Section 158½ to Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1965 Supplement), title